1 LAW OFFICES OF NEIL JON BLOOMFIELD Neil Jon Bloomfield, Esq. (State Bar No. 52235) 2 901 E Street, Suite 100 San Rafael, CA 94901 3 Telephone: 415-454-2294 4 Facsimile: 415-457-5348 5 Attorneys for Defendant **ULIZANGPO** 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE 8 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 9 10 11 MARK MORRISON. No. CV 08 1945 EMC 12 Plaintiff. **Declaration of Steven Finkbine in Support** 13 of Binding Arbitration Between Uli Zangpo VS. And Mark Morrison 14 ULI ZANGPO, 15 Defendant. Date: September 17, 2008 Time: 10:30 a.m. 16 Place: Courtroom C. 15th Floor 17 18 19 1. I am a partner in the Manzanita Project with Uli Zangpo since 20 In 2005 Mark Morrison and Jim Sciaroni joined the 2004. 21 22 partnership. 2. The agreement on binding arbitration in the Manzanita Agreement 23 is broad, saying 'based upon, arising out of, or in any way relating to 24 this agreement." The agreement between Mark Morrison and Uli 25 Zangpo on 30 Prospect is a separate contract than the Manzanita 26

agreement, but the Prospect Contract is certainly related to the

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Manzanita contract.

- 3. This relation extends to a number of points:
- 3 (a) Uli Zangpo's taking on the Prospect job was largely driven by Mark Morrison's inability to pay his remaining due on Manzanita. The sooner Prospect was re-modeled and sold the sooner Zangpo would receive the rest of Morrison's outstanding debt on Manzanita. Zangpo had a large financial incentive to involve himself in Prospect; 3(b) The Prospect house was to have much of its woodwork milled in the cabinet shop set up by Uli Zangpo. This was to serve as the prototype for the other houses on Manzanita assuming that project went well, with each partner having individual choice whether to build in this style or not;
- 3 (c) Materials stored on the Manzanita property were used on the Prospect job;
- 3 (d) The desirability of Zangpo having a primary role in the Prospect job was discussed in formal Manzanita meetings; and.
- 3 (e) Zangpo and Morrison's business relationship on Prospect arose out of their partnership on Manzanita.

If called as a witness, I could competently testify to the foregoing. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed at San Geronimo, California this 14th day of August, 2008.

/s/ Steven Finkbine

Steven Finkbine